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STATE OF WISCONSIN

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF	
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	
THOMAS JOHN BERTHOLD, RN,	ORDER TABLING APPLICATION

On November 16, 1984, the Board of Nursing issued its Final Decision and Order in the above-captioned matter. By the terms of the board's order, the board accepted the voluntary surrender of respondent's license, with the provision that respondent could apply for reinstatement of the license in six months.

By letter dated June 21, 1985, respondent petitioned the board for reinstatement of his license. By its Order dated August 1, 1985, the board denied the petition, and ordered that upon submission to the board of evidence that he had remained free of drugs and alcohol for at least six months, and that he was otherwise competent to practice professional nursing, the board would issue a limited license.

By letter dated February 28, 1996, respondent again expressed his desire to have his license reinstated. By letter dated March 13, Michelle Neverman, acting as agent for the board, notified respondent that prior to making a decision on reinstatement, respondent would be required to submit to the board the results of a current drug assessment and evidence of having completed a nursing refresher course. The results of the assessment were received by the board on or about May 17, 1996, and, on or about January 16, 1997, the board received evidence of respondent's successful completion of the RN refresher course at Bellin College of Nursing. Respondent appeared before the board at its meeting of March 14, 1997, in support of his request for reinstatement, and the board thereafter ordered that the license be reinstated. Mr. Berthold was unable to renew his license, however, based on delinquent state taxes.

On May 2, 2002, the board considered a new petition from Mr. Berthold for reinstatement of his license. However, because five years have elapsed since Mr. Berthold's last previous petition, the board considers it necessary that he again submit the results of a current drug assessment, before the board acts on his current petition. The board therefore tabled the petition pending receipt of such an assessment.

Dated this 8th day of May, 2002.

STATE OF WISCONSIN

BOARD OF NURSING

Respondent

Linda M. Sanner, RN

Chair